THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES (SHRI TARUN GOGOl): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. Government have taken various steps to promote food processing industries which inter-alia include declaration of most food processing industries a_s high priority, delicensing of all food procesfing industries excepting distillation and brewing of alcoholic beverages, sugar and those items reserved for small scale sector, automatic approval of foreign equity upto 51 per cent in high priority areas and technology agreements, permitting foreign/NRI faestments, providing fiscal reliefs, etc.. Government is also operating various Plan schemes for promoting food processing industries including those in the small and tiny sector. As a result of various measures taken since liberalisation fill Tune, 94. 2680 Industrial EntrepremiM Memoranda have been filed for setting up of food processing industries involving an investment of Rs. 34,469 crores, approval for setting up of IOO[1] per cent Export Oriented Units, Joint Ventures, foreign collaboration, etc. in food processing sector have been granted involving an investment of Rs. 7.060 crores. These, when implemented are likely to generate and direct employment of 5,65,187 persons.

कृषि उत्पादों का प्रसंस्करण

2999. **श्री आस मोहम्मद :**
श्री ईश दत्त यादव :

क्या खाद्य प्रसंस्करण उद्योग मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि उनका मंत्रालय कृषि उत्पादों के 34 प्रसंस्करण क्षेत्रों की ओर ध्यान केन्द्रित नहीं कर सका ;

(ख) यदि हां, तो उसका ब्यौरा क्या है और इसके क्या कारण हैं; और

(ग) कृषि उत्पादों के इन 34 क्षेत्रों के प्रसंस्करण पर और अधिक ध्यान देने के लिए सरकार और क्या-क्या प्रयास कर रही है?

खाद्य प्रसंस्करण उद्योग मंत्रालय के राज्य मंत्री (श्री तरुण गोगोई) : (क) से (ग) मंत्रालय खाद्य प्रसंस्करण उद्योग के उन क्षेत्रों जैसे खाद्यान्न प्रसंस्करण फल और सब्जी प्रसंस्करण, मांस तथा पाल्ट्री प्रसंस्करण उपभोक्ता उद्योग, दुध उत्पाद, गहन समुद्री मात्स्यिकी, मछली प्रसंस्करण, पैकेजिंग आदि के विकास के लिए प्रयास कर रहा है जो उसे आवंटित किए गए हैं।

investment proposal received to set up agro. based industries in Gujarat

2100. SHRI RAJUBHAI A. PARMAR Will the Minister of FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:

(a) what is the total amouni of investment proposals received during the las: two years to set up agi-icuHuie-hased rries in Gujarat State;

fb) what are the letail$_s$ of the foreign investment proposals approved during the said period; and

(e) by when action is likely to be taken r those proposals?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF IHE MINISTRV OF FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES (SHRI TARUN GOGOl}: in As per available information 191 Industrial i aicrpreneur Memoranda hav* been filed since liberalisation upto June, 1794 involving an investment of about Rs. 2,946 crores and employment of aboat 3,1,136 persons for setting up of Food Processing Industries in the State of Gu jarat. Approvals for Joint Venture foreign collaborations, setting un of Export Oriented Units etc. have been grasted involving an investment of about Rs. 78 crores.

(b) and fe) Foreign investment envisaged in respect of these proposals is about Rs. 712.80 lakhs.